

# **The Family Vet**

## ***Personal Care for Pets***

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### ***Client Notes for Bandit Rose for 06/21/09:***

***Bandit's Weight: 11.94 Lbs***

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Your (case-sensitive) password is: Rose

Bandit did very well for his exam. He weighs 11.94 pounds and is in good body condition. The eye stain of his right eye was negative for corneal ulceration (scratches) that may have contributed to the worsening of his eye discharge.

Since he had the eye discharge (though not as bad) since he was a kitten, it's very likely that his nasolacrimal sac or duct ("tear duct") is blocked. The most common cause for that type of obstruction in young cats is stricture secondary to herpesvirus (upper respiratory infection in kittenhood). Other diseases can also cause this (nasal cavity disease, mass) but herpesvirus would be the first rule out.

For now, we will treat the secondary skin infection (irritation) around his eyes. Once that resolves, we can re-evaluate the eye and consider treating for possible herpesvirus and/or referral to the eye specialist to flush the nasolacrimal duct.

Start the eye ointment this evening:

Rx: Erythromycin (or Terramycin) ointment 0.5% --- Apply 1/4 inch strip to his RIGHT eye 3 times a day for 2 weeks.

Start the oral antibiotic this evening:

Rx: Calvinox 62.5 mg --- Give 1 tablet by mouth twice daily with food. Antibiotic.

\*\*\* Discontinue medication and call us if any GI upset such as vomiting or diarrhea.

The orange - green staining around his eye and nose is from the eye stain. The discoloration should resolve by end of day.

Please call or email if any problems or concerns.

Unless problems, schedule a follow-up in 2 weeks to re-evaluate his eye and skin. Do not apply the eye ointment the day of the appointment..tnt